



DIGEST OF CURRENT ECONOMIC STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA JULY 1983

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

The Digest contains the latest available figures at the time of issue for a selection of monthly and quarterly series. Where possible, series are shown both in their original and seasonally adjusted form.

Seasonal adjustment

2. Measures of variability and details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting ABS statistics are given in Appendixes C and B, respectively, of *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, Australia* (1308.0). This annual publication also contains historical original and seasonally adjusted data in tabular and graphical form of a selection of the statistics appearing in the ABS monthly and quarterly publications.

3. As well as being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Digest have been adjusted for the effects of calendar variations, namely, 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in a month) and the influence of movable holidays, such as Easter and Australia Day.

4. Most of the original and seasonally adjusted series are preliminary and subject to revision.

Related publications

5. More detailed information is available in the *Monthly Summary of Statistics, Australia* (1304.0) (\$3.10). Publications from which the series in the Digest are derived are listed on page 8.

6. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

- r figure or series revised since previous issue
- p preliminary—figure or series subject to revision
- n.a. not available
- n.y.a. not yet available
- break in continuity of series (where drawn between two consecutive figures in the same column)

7. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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PRODUCTION

Month	Black coal '000 tonnes	Iron or (a) '000 tonnes	Lead (b) '000 tonnes	Electricity mil. kWh		Gas (c) mil. megajoules		Raw steel '000 tonnes		Cement '000 tonnes		Motor vehicles (d) '000		Electric motors under 720 W '000	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	
1981-82— June	10,784		47.5	9,873	9,019	43,996	36,813	592	592	497	492	141.5	37.6	239	239
1982-83— July	9,778		39.8	10,476	9,019	47,237	37,450	606	573	539	490	41.8	37.3	223	217
August	9,827	23,524	38.3	9,296	8,358	41,161	34,683	561	530	473	454	41.2	37.5	252	229
September	9,863		35.7	8,818	8,703	37,766	35,489	368	396	463	470	36.5	32.9	271	214
October	9,562		36.3	8,697	8,858	34,236	35,216	372	385	479	457	32.9	30.9	296	246
November	10,512	18,597	39.0	8,381	8,870	34,520	37,767	414	435	458	431	30.7	27.2	232	199
December	7,599		30.1	8,293	8,823	28,659	34,454	413	414	420	432	24.4	26.6	184	176
January	5,166		25.2	7,942	8,739	26,081	31,816	389	373	268	407	4.1	13.4	51	132
February	8,522	21,156	40.0	8,001	8,974	30,678	37,307	399	425	389	401	30.6	30.5	154	162
March	10,542		45.4	8,839	9,026	34,931	37,486	430	415	429	405	31.2	26.2	176	160
April	7,329		41.1	8,455	9,077	34,420	37,905	396	414	348	342	24.5	29.2	141	164
May	8,963	n.y.a.	45.1	9,106	8,960	41,236	37,193	445	389	364	29.2	25.5	149	166	
June	9,924		41.8	9,938	9,050	43,285	35,978	486	489	421	416	29.4	26.3	176	183
1983-84— July	n.y.a.		n.y.a.	10,505	9,102	44,747	35,343	518	494	410	376	31.4	29.4	193	192

(a) Gross mine output. (b) Metallic contents of mine products. (c) Available for issue through mains; includes natural gas. (d) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state.

PRODUCTION—continued

STOCKS(e)

Month	Cotton woven cloth (incl. towelling) '000 sq m(a)		Woolen and worsted woven cloth (incl. blanketing) '000 sq m(a)		Man-made fibre-cloth '000 sq m		Meat '000 tonnes		Price index manufacturing division(b)		Whole milk intake by factories(c) mil. litres		Brokers and dealers receipts of taxable wool		Book value at end of quarter \$ m	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Total receipts tonnes	% of total received by brokers(d)	Original	Seas. adj.
1981-82—																
June	3,040	2,747	908	879	12,999	11,086	214	219	343.2	229	464	28,112	75.8			
1982-83—																
July	r3,131	2,827	831	839	12,578	10,802	226	227	346.4	296	461	47,083	81.4			
August	3,086	2,912	836	848	10,727	9,995	191	197	350.2	462	453	76,930	81.3	34,445	34,388	
September	r3,060	2,659	843	819	10,353	9,525	241	217	353.4	624	470	100,711	82.3			
October	3,371	2,735	1,065	960	11,763	10,252	202	185	355.5	742	477	106,079	81.3			
November	2,923	3,154	1,116	882	11,395	10,633	200	197	356.4	707	448	91,542	79.5	r34,312	r34,300	
December	1,915	2,090	777	814	8,095	9,378	192	201	357.7	628	442	46,904	74.2			
January	687	1,819	523	979	4,532	12,101	162	187	359.2	529	455	30,472	82.0			
February	2,551	2,636	943	880	9,735	10,121	180	188	362.7	382	428	39,007	78.4	r33,944	r33,988	
March	3,128	2,855	986	826	11,565	10,566	199	184	365.7	330	422	40,694	73.3			
April	2,602	2,616	845	892	11,423	12,680	170	186	370.3	277	446	23,041	70.8			
May	2,879	2,805	709	772	11,781	10,928	161	157	373.0	274	544	23,041	73.1	33,350	p33,375	
June	r3,583	3,175	891	891	15,860	13,351	174	174	p374.3	272	558	30,195	74.5			
1983-84—																
July	3,114	2,827	644	664	12,952	11,405	173	178	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.			

(a) The Commodity composition of this series has changed following the introduction of a revised production commodity classification for textile items. Figures on the new basis are available from July 1979. (b) This index is on a 'net division' basis and relates in concept only to articles which are produced in the Manufacturing Division of ASIC (Division C) for sale or transfer outside the Division or for use as capital equipment. (c) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation. (d) Members of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. (e) Owned by private enterprises in Australia. See publication 5629.0.

OVERSEAS TRANSACTIONS

Month	Value of total exports \$m	Value of total imports \$m	Values at average 1979-80 prices \$m		Export price index All groups 1974-75 = 100	Balance on current account \$m	Net apparent capital inflow \$m	Official reserve assets (a) \$m
			Exports f.o.b.	Imports f.o.b.				
			Seas. adj.	Seas. adj.				
1981-82— June	1,835	2,030			195	-788	1,023	6,517
1982-83— July	2,024	2,081			195	-564	418	6,770
August	1,819	2,048	4,767	4,844	198	-755	309	6,711
September	1,720	1,875			200	-704	1,683	8,396
October	1,874	2,079			201	-753	1,222	8,888
November	2,028	1,990	4,617	4,545	202	-372	1,053	9,395
December	1,820	1,698			199	-499	1,187	10,994
January	1,928	1,382			199	-297	657	10,850
February	1,641	1,621	4,343	4,075	201	-492	-566	9,979
March	1,771	1,840			209	-541	763	10,365
April	1,612	1,561			210	-523	1,509	11,404
May	2,068	1,772	4,281	4,233	213	-305	198	11,124
June	1,893	1,858			213	-563	469	10,748
1983-84— July	n.y.a.	n.y.a.			n.y.a.	-307	487	10,868

(a) Gold is valued at the average London gold price for the month converted to \$A at the market rate of exchange applying on the last day of the month.

INTERNAL TRADE

Month	Retail sales(a)								New motor cars and station wagons registered '000				Other new motor vehicles registered(d) '000		Installment credit for retail sales, finance companies and other businesses, balances outstanding(e) \$m	
	All items except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (b) \$m		Food and drink \$m		Clothing, hardware, electrical and furniture \$m		Other(c) \$m		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.								
1981-82— May	3,203	3,186	(f)4,682	(f)4,815	(f)3,164	(f)3,170	(f)1,554	(f)1,671	41.2	40.5	12.8	12.4				3,817
June	3,084	3,237							44.2	40.7	15.0	12.8				3,882
1982-83— July	3,190	3,255							41.9	38.4	13.6	12.1				3,914
August	3,080	3,227	(f)4,758	(f)4,859	(f)3,058	(f)3,159	(f)1,612	(f)1,692	43.8	40.8	12.7	12.7				3,934
September	3,163	3,242							39.2	39.4	11.3	11.4				3,960
October	3,283	3,344							36.5	38.6	11.4	12.0				3,963
November	3,494	3,394	(f)5,501	(f)5,103	(f)3,841	(f)3,275	(f)2,009	(f)1,679	36.2	36.1	10.5	10.9				3,998
December	4,589	3,317							47.7	47.0	9.9	10.2				4,031
January	3,129	3,434							26.2	32.4	8.7	10.9				3,989
February	3,078	3,486	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	29.7	32.1	10.5	11.3				3,962
March	3,469	3,541							43.5	40.1	13.5	12.1				3,991
April	3,376	3,483							31.4	33.6	10.8	11.6				3,960
May	3,418	3,407	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	38.0	36.4	11.9	11.3				4,004
June	3,317	3,459							39.2	36.3	11.7	9.9				4,012
1983-1984— July	n.y.a.	n.y.a.							p35.1	p33.4	p10.6	p9.8				n.y.a.

(a) Based on the 1973-74 census of retail establishments. Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Series based on 1979-80 Retail Census, excludes Northern Territory, but includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Other; excludes motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (d) Comprises light commercial type vehicles, trucks, other truck type vehicles and buses. (e) During the period, amounts financed to new agreements made were: April \$150m; May \$174m; June \$171m. (f) Based on the 1979-80 retail census.

WAGES, OVERTIME AND RETAIL PRICES

Month	Weekly earnings of employees (\$/wk)		Award rates of pay index (b), adult persons June 1976 = 100	Average weekly overtime hours per employee (c)	Consumer price index, weighted average of eight capital cities, 1980-81 = 100(d)								
	All males	All females			All groups	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education(e)
1981-82— May June	326.00	215.50	173.8 177.2	1.45	114.5	110.7	110.0	115.9	115.6	114.7	112.9	134.5	101.2
1982-83— July August September October November December January February March April May June	333.70 341.50 345.00 347.30	221.80 223.60 230.30 231.80	179.3 181.5 182.2 182.6 183.6 184.3 184.5 184.5 184.7 184.7 184.8 184.8	1.26 1.30 1.14 1.19	118.5 122.0 124.7 124.7	114.0 116.8 118.9 118.9	111.2 113.7 113.9 113.9	118.9 122.3 124.1 125.5	119.1 123.6 125.5 125.5	121.1 122.7 126.4 126.4	118.0 124.0 125.8 125.8	143.1 151.2 157.4 157.4	103.3 105.7 109.8 109.8

(a) The Average weekly earnings per employed male unit has been replaced by a new series based on a quarterly survey of employers. Figures for 'all males' prior to September quarter 1981 are estimates based on the relationship of the series for September quarter 1981. An explanation of the linking of the series is given in *Average Weekly Earnings, Australia, December Quarter 1981 (Preliminary)* (6301.0), and an explanation of the differences between the series is provided in an *Information Paper* (6336.0). (b) New series. See *Award Rates of Pay Indexes, Australia, September 1982* (6312.0). (c) Results of sample surveys of government employers and private payroll taxpayers conducted by the ABS as at the third Friday of the month shown. For further details see August issue of *Overtime, Australia* (6330.0). (d) With the introduction of the tenth series of the CPI, the reference base of the CPI series has been changed to 1980-81 = 100.00. The main CPI series published becomes that for the weighted average of the eight capital cities. Monthly index series are no longer compiled for the food group. (e) New grouping introduced from March quarter 1982. Base of index series: March quarter 1982 = 100.0.

BUILDING AND NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Month	Building approvals \$ m		Building approvals dwellings 1000 units		Government building approved \$ m	Building commenced, total(a) \$ m		Dwellings commenced(b) 1000 units		Materials used in house building(b)		Price indexes				New fixed capital expenditure by private enterprises (\$m)(e)			
												Materials used in building other than house building(c)		New buildings and structures		Other new capital equipment			
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1981-82— May	877.5	837.2	10.3	10.0	104.0	2,465.6	2,421.8	28.4	28.0	395.9	132.0	1,346.7	1,303.8	3,270.4	2,991.2				
June	943.7	839.3	10.2	9.1	135.9					398.7	133.8								
1982-83— July	861.0	844.1	10.2	10.3	110.5					402.8	135.7								
August	792.2	772.6	9.6	9.3	123.4	2,553.6	2,499.5	26.6	25.8	405.8	137.0	1,368.7	1,412.4	2,733.2	2,756.2				
September	725.5	689.0	9.3	9.0	108.3					408.5	138.1								
October	722.3	741.3	8.6	8.5	126.4					409.7	138.7								
November	753.9	672.3	9.6	8.9	111.9	2,167.0	2,259.7	25.0	24.5	410.8	139.3	(d)1,219.1	(d)1,061.6	3,111.6	2,971.0				
December	740.2	767.1	8.4	8.9	162.0					412.4	140.4								
January	570.8	740.5	7.1	9.3	98.3					415.7	141.4								
February	829.1	948.2	9.6	10.8	273.2	2,034.0	2,021.5	24.0	25.7	419.0	141.9	907.3	1,068.3	2,351.4	2,711.2				
March	809.6	735.3	11.4	9.9	153.7					422.5	142.7								
April	714.9	800.1	9.7	10.5	130.8					425.3	143.3								
May	930.4	847.4	11.7	10.7	199.3	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	426.9	144.1	p1,061.7	p1,028.4	p2,922.7	~2,673.0				
June	876.5	776.6	11.2	10.1	216.5					p429.5	p144.8								

(a) The ABS has recently implemented a new system for collecting, compiling and publishing building activity statistics. For further details of the change to 'Building commenced' data, see September Quarter 1980 (Advance Release) issue of 8705.0, released on 1 May 1981. For further details of the change to 'Dwellings commenced' data, see statement (issued under Catalogue No. 8703.0) entitled *Changes to Published Building Activity Statistics*, which was released on 12 December 1980. (b) Weighted average six State capital cities. 1966-81 = 100.0. (c) Base: 1979-80 = 100.0. (d) Prior to December Quarter 1982, data include the value of speculatively built construction projects by enterprises in the finance, property and business services industries. (e) Excludes enterprises classified to agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, community services and construction.

FINANCE

Month	Savings banks— depositors' balances (a) \$m		Major trading banks (b)				Finance companies' balances outstanding (c) \$m	Housing finance for owner occupation value of loans approved (d)			Common- wealth bond yield short dated (f) per cent	Listed companies new money raised \$m	Taxation revenue Commonwealth and State consolidated revenue funds \$m
	Original	Seas. adj.	Deposits \$m		Advances \$m			Banks \$m	Permanent building societies \$m	Other lenders (e) \$m			
			Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.							
1981-82— June	25,047	25,001	29,457	30,166	22,119	22,259	27,578	350	118	100	16.40		4,154
1982-83— July	24,975	25,042	29,569	30,706	22,569	22,498	27,983	307	108	95	16.40		3,272
August	25,266	25,242	29,857	30,748	22,639	22,674	28,143	328	113	84	16.60	804.3	4,032
September	25,344	25,360	30,631	31,013	22,817	22,822	28,569	369	108	88	15.20		3,019
October	25,704	25,610	30,613	30,640	23,121	22,860	28,930	356	114	86	14.40		3,245
November	25,910	25,905	31,022	30,974	22,948	22,815	28,939	384	129	92	14.20	705.2	4,177
December	27,063	26,917	31,424	30,917	22,866	22,693	28,906	379	128	93	14.00		3,251
January	28,155	27,950	30,321	29,730	22,690	22,812	28,544	348	123	79	12.55		3,656
February	28,935	28,646	30,177	29,315	22,642	23,060	28,239	447	198	96	13.00	n.y.a.	3,768
March	28,681	28,727	31,305	30,091	23,242	23,569	28,109	509	222	120	14.10		4,160
April	28,424	28,862	31,440	31,031	23,649	23,507	28,017	366	179	108	12.60		5,739
May	29,106	29,436	31,390	31,889	23,861	23,590	22,796	435	221	128	12.10	n.y.a.	5,198
June	30,006	29,959	31,557	32,310	23,914	24,068	28,007	434	194	108	13.70		4,271
1983-84— July	30,352	30,408	31,427	32,623	24,008	23,931	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	13.60		n.y.a.

(a) Excludes external territories. (b) Includes external territories. (c) Amounts shown relate to all types of finance agreements and provide a broad overall measure of finance company activity. For further details see the monthly publication 5614.0. (d) Includes loans for alterations and additions. (e) Includes terminating building societies, finance companies, credit unions, insurance companies and government instrumentalities. (f) This series is based on non-rebate bonds. (g) Break in series due to a change in accounting procedures.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS (\$m)

Quarter	Gross domestic product		Gross farm product		Gross non-farm product		Final consumption expenditure				Gross fixed capital expenditure			
							Private		Government		Private		Public	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
AT CURRENT PRICES														
1981-82—														
March	34,960	37,061	1,352	1,797	33,608	35,264	21,642	22,624	5,753	6,166	5,830	6,471	2,656	3,003
June	36,963	38,630	770	1,764	36,193	36,866	23,277	23,513	6,976	6,768	7,347	6,929	3,327	2,885
1982-83—														
September	39,020	39,438	1,273	1,479	37,747	37,959	24,003	24,109	6,595	6,690	6,402	6,473	3,173	3,381
December	44,241	40,590	2,576	1,367	41,665	39,223	26,364	24,910	7,656	7,276	6,566	6,240	3,415	3,335
March	38,179	40,334	1,070	1,344	37,109	38,990	24,433	25,557	7,036	7,541	5,470	6,086	2,811	3,185
June	39,452	40,610	692	1,366	38,760	39,244	25,449	25,706	7,455	7,225	6,164	5,813	4,033	3,497
AT AVERAGE 1979-80 PRICES														
1981-82—														
March	28,358	30,329	1,487	1,951	26,871	28,378	17,891	18,706	4,509	4,803	4,697	5,216	2,083	2,355
June	28,962	30,366	1,116	1,970	27,846	28,396	18,808	18,959	5,170	5,002	5,704	5,373	2,507	2,175
1982-83—														
September	30,067	30,356	1,716	1,740	28,351	28,616	18,703	18,826	4,874	4,964	4,826	4,882	2,298	2,448
December	33,228	30,123	2,554	1,543	30,674	28,580	20,036	18,910	5,399	5,157	4,876	4,637	2,419	2,363
March	27,948	29,851	1,200	1,513	26,748	28,338	18,163	19,024	5,043	5,372	3,978	4,427	1,963	2,224
June	28,169	29,167	853	1,450	27,316	27,717	18,492	18,635	5,267	5,087	4,391	4,138	2,779	2,410
AT CURRENT PRICES—continued														
Quarter	Imports of goods and services		Exports of goods and services		Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises				Wages, salaries and supplements		Income of farm unincorporated enterprises	Other household income	Less direct taxes, etc. (a)	Household disposable income
					Companies		Other							
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.				
1981-82—														
March	7,317	7,274	5,767	5,776	3,378	3,807	6,658	7,518	20,135	21,062	444	8,885	6,295	23,169
June	7,539	7,589	6,122	5,941	4,017	4,231	6,152	7,578	21,775	21,901	-126	11,656	8,952	24,353
1982-83—														
September	7,474	7,381	6,133	6,272	3,793	3,792	7,851	7,795	22,690	22,946	370	10,029	5,704	27,385
December	7,076	7,170	6,222	6,227	4,831	4,197	9,984	8,037	24,080	23,020	1,595	12,840	5,529	32,987
March	6,544	6,504	5,925	5,986	3,666	4,098	7,231	7,947	21,862	22,997	144	10,899	6,464	26,441
June	6,882	6,931	6,279	6,166	4,373	4,601	6,586	7,702	22,706	22,632	-221	13,684	9,030	27,140

(a) Direct taxes deducted are those paid by persons to general government. These include income tax paid and estate and gift duties, all other direct taxes, fees for service of a regulatory character and fines and gifts paid. Also deducted here are consumer debt interest and transfers to overseas.

CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a) ('000)							UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (b) ('000)							JOB VACANCIES ('000)
Month	Males		Females		Persons		Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work	Total			Survey estimates (c)	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Males	Females		Males	Females	Persons		
1981-82—														
May	4,306.8	4,309.7	2,547.9	2,542.2	6,854.7	6,851.9	219.8	152.8	77.3	239.8	210.0	449.9	25.3	
June	4,294.1	4,314.8	2,532.4	2,540.6	6,826.5	6,855.4	215.8	150.8	81.2	239.5	208.3	447.8		
1982-83—														
July	4,307.8	4,323.2	2,534.4	2,542.5	6,842.2	6,865.7	233.1	142.9	74.2	253.3	196.9	450.3		
August	4,287.5	4,321.2	2,518.6	2,542.0	6,806.0	6,863.2	249.9	135.6	73.1	271.0	187.5	458.5	21.5	
September	4,352.9	4,345.5	2,567.1	2,548.5	6,920.0	6,894.0	271.6	149.1	85.2	293.7	212.1	505.9		
October	4,354.6	4,376.9	2,582.4	2,581.8	6,937.0	6,958.7	286.6	158.4	91.8	307.3	229.6	536.8		
November	4,331.2	4,373.7	2,571.4	2,568.8	6,902.6	6,942.5	313.5	170.4	68.1	326.9	225.1	552.0	16.4	
December	4,412.4	4,351.1	2,618.4	2,582.7	7,030.8	6,933.8	378.4	206.8	88.8	404.7	269.2	674.0		
January	4,361.3	4,336.8	2,495.1	2,581.6	6,856.4	6,918.4	409.2	216.2	66.2	431.5	260.2	691.7		
February	4,400.6	4,359.8	2,601.7	2,587.0	7,002.2	6,946.9	418.2	234.7	94.4	441.3	305.9	747.3	16.9	
March	4,387.2	4,362.5	2,645.3	2,602.6	7,032.4	6,965.1	412.2	223.8	95.6	435.3	296.4	731.6		
April	4,364.9	4,375.6	2,585.4	2,574.4	6,950.3	6,950.1	407.2	203.2	96.7	436.6	276.6	707.2		
May	4,368.7	4,373.2	2,611.4	2,605.2	6,980.1	6,978.5	413.4	212.6	92.6	436.0	282.5	718.6	17.5	
June	4,355.2	4,385.5	2,590.5	2,599.8	6,945.7	6,985.3	408.2	220.8	79.0	424.8	266.2	691.1		
1983-84—														
July	4,368.9	4,389.7	2,600.3	2,611.7	6,969.2	7,001.4	407.6	190.1	87.1	429.4	255.4	684.8		

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. The labour force is the sum of the employed and the unemployed. (b) Labour force survey estimates. (c) Results of sample surveys of government employers and private payroll taxpayers conducted by the ABS as at the third Friday of the month shown. For further notes relating to these estimates see 6231.0.

**GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, AUSTRALIA(a)
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
('000)**

Month	Civilian employees											Defence Forces(b)	Total Government	
	Commonwealth		State		Northern Territory		Local		Total					
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Persons			
1982—														
April	275.6	128.7	579.9	424.3	7.7	6.6	104.1	28.9	967.3	588.5	1,555.8	73.4	1,629.2	
May	275.1	128.5	581.8	421.8	7.7	6.6	104.1	28.8	968.7	585.8	1,554.5	73.3	1,627.8	
June	274.7	127.4	582.3	426.9	7.6	6.6	104.5	28.9	969.0	589.9	1,558.9	73.2	1,632.1	
July	273.9	128.2	581.2	426.1	7.5	6.5	104.2	29.0	966.8	589.8	1,556.6	73.2	1,629.8	
August	274.4	128.7	580.9	427.5	7.5	6.3	104.2	28.9	967.0	591.4	1,558.4	73.1	1,631.5	
September	275.0	129.6	580.5	428.2	7.5	6.3	104.1	29.2	967.2	593.4	1,560.5	73.0	1,633.5	
October	275.5	130.0	580.0	428.7	7.6	6.4	104.2	29.4	967.2	594.5	1,561.7	73.1	1,634.8	
November	276.2	130.9	579.6	427.6	7.6	6.3	104.3	29.6	967.7	594.3	1,562.1	73.0	1,635.1	
December	277.1	131.5	577.8	422.1	7.5	6.1	104.4	29.3	966.9	589.1	1,556.0	72.7	1,628.7	
1983—														
January	276.4	130.8	578.6	410.0	7.6	6.3	104.7	29.2	967.3	576.3	1,543.6	73.1	1,616.7	
February	276.7	131.2	581.5	423.8	7.6	6.4	105.7	30.0	971.5	591.4	1,562.9	73.2	1,636.1	
March	276.1	131.4	584.5	428.9	7.7	6.3	105.8	30.3	974.0	596.9	1,571.0	(c) 73.2	1,644.2	
April	276.9	132.5	584.8	431.4	7.7	6.5	107.3	30.5	976.7	600.9	1,577.6	73.1	1,650.7	
May	276.7	133.0	585.2	428.6	7.8	6.6	108.0	30.8	977.7	599.0	1,576.7	72.9	1,649.6	

(a) For further details, see *The Labour Force, Australia (Preliminary)* (6202.0). (b) Permanent defence forces in Australia and overseas. (c) Estimated.

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